



Attorney Docket No. VX022404

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Kazuo SOGA *et al.*  
Serial Number : 10/053,959  
Filed : January 24, 2002  
For : PIPING STRUCTURE OF CRAWLER DRIVING  
HYDRAULIC MOTOR  
Examiner : Jeffrey J. Restifo  
Group Art Unit : 3618

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

November 29, 2004

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official action mailed July 28, 2004. The Official action set forth a three-month period for response, and a petition for a one-month extension of time is attached hereto, making this response due on or before November 28, 2004. Since November 28, 2004, was a Sunday, this response can be timely filed on the next business day, namely, Monday, November 29, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application as set forth on the following pages.